



GRAFFITI IN SUBWAY

PLEASE MATCH THE WORDS THAT GO TOGETHER

coronavirus	problem
street	transport
social	graffiti
public	activist
political	artist
spray	pandemic

vocabularies

Coronavirus pandemic /kəˈroʊ.nəˌvaɪ.rəs//pænˈdem.ɪk/

- virus that is existing in almost all of an area

Street artist / strict/ / arr.tist/

- is a person who makes art in public places

Social problem / 'sou.səl/ / 'pra:.bləm/

- conditions that disrupt or damage society

Public transport / phb.lik 'træn.spo:rt/

- forms of transportation that charge set fares, run on fixed routes, and are available to the public

Political activist / pəˈlɪt̪.ə.kəl/ / ˈæk.tə.vɪst/

- a person who campaigns for some kind of political change

Spray graffiti /spreɪ/ /grəˈfiː.ţi/

- spread on words or drawings, especially humorous, rude, or political in public places

vocabularies

Graffiti in Subway – level 2



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Level 1

Level 2

Level 3

Banksy is a world-known British street artist and political activist; however, nobody knows his real name. Banksy started to be active in the 1990s, and in his work, he often comments on political and social problems.

Last week, he sprayed graffiti in a London subway. He wanted to **support** people during the coronavirus pandemic, and to remind them that they must wear masks in public transport. However, a cleaning crew cleaned Banksy's work before he posted it on his Instagram account.

In London, people must wear masks when they use public transport. Officials said that they welcomed Banksy's support. However, they will find a more suitable place where he can do his work.

Difficult words: activist (a person who works hard to make some changes, usually political or social), comment (to say what you think about something), support (to help).



- 1. Who is Bansky?
- 2. When did he start to be known? What were his usual comments about?
- 3. Why did he spray graffiti in a London subway?
- 4. Why was he not able to post it in his Instagram account?
- 5. What must people in London wear when using public transport?
- 6. What was the officials' remark on Bansky's work?

Quick Check

- 1. What kind of art/s is/are you most interested in? Why so?
- 2. Do you consider spraying graffiti as a form of art with an important message or merely as a form of rebellion against the government? Why?
- 3. If given the chance that you will spray graffiti, where and what will you be spraying?
- 4. Why would you want to spray such image? What message would you like to convey to the public through it?
- 5. During this pandemic, what image would you like to spray as a message for the government? For the medical workers? For the people?
- 6. What message does each of these convey to them?

Conversational Questions